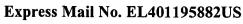
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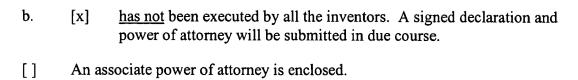


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1.	[x]	The application has 30 pages (including specification, claim pages, and abstract).							
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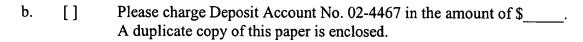


- 6. [] An assignment of the invention from the Inventor(s) to F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG (with Recordation Form Cover Sheet in duplicate), and an assignment from F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG to Roche Vitamins Inc. (with Recordation Form Cover Sheet in duplicate) are enclosed. Please record the Assignment from the Inventor(s) to F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG first, then record the assignment from F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG to Roche Vitamins Inc., and return both to the undersigned. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
 - a. [] Two checks in the amount of \$40 each are enclosed to cover the recording fees.
 - b. [] Please charge the recording fee to our Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
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- 9. [x] The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application plus or minus any claims added or canceled by amendment:

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